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1. It is rumored that submarines are taking wolfram and tin ore out of southern Thailand to an unknown destination. About twice monthly, the submarines visit an island* and await delivery of the ore by contacts in southern Thailand.
2. It is speculated that although China has a rich supply of wolfram, the mines may be too far from the locality in which the ore is needed. Wolfram is obtainable in the seaboard provinces of Songkhla and Pattani, in the interior of Nakhon Si Thammarat, and in several other provinces in southern Thailand.

25X1A * [REDACTED] Comment. The island, or islands, in question would appear to be in the Gulf of Thailand near or below the 10-degree Parallel, North Latitude. For additional information relative to submarine sightings,

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